

VIRGINIA: At a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Accomack held at Shore Bank Operations Center Conference Room, Onley, VA the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D., 2008.

Members Present: Ron S. Wolff, Chair  
Steve D. Mallette, Vice Chair  
Wanda J. Thornton  
Grayson Chesser  
John C. Gray  
Sandra Hart Mears  
Laura Belle Gordy  
E. Philip McCaleb

Member Absent: Donald I. Hart, Jr.

Others Present: Steven B. Miner, County Administrator  
Linda Martin Warner, Assistant County Administrator  
Yvonne N. Pennell, Administrative Assistant

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

### **Work Session – Strategic Plan #2: 2008-2011**

A work session took place concerning the Accomack County Strategic Plan #2: 2008-2011 with Frank Dukes, Facilitator, Institute for Environmental Negotiation, University of Virginia, reviewing the goals and benchmarks which had been discussed during the March 10, 2008, meeting.

Topics of discussion included:

- Addressing affordable housing to include single-family housing with a request that the County Administrator bring back suggestions on affordable housing
  - Housing Authority, tax credits, use of existing buildings
  - Abandoned travel trailers and enforcement of existing Ordinances
  - Litter issues to include an enhanced litter program
  - Adopt a Highway program
  - Increased recycling efforts by promoting recycling
  - A notice included in tax bills
- Mr. Dukes gave an overview of the strategic planning update proposed for Accomack

County and time schedules to address the Board's concerns.

After identification and consideration of the patterns and trends, strengths and weaknesses, and issues and opportunities facing the County, Board members were asked to identify elements of their long-term vision for the County. There was general consensus on the following desired vision for the future of the County.

- The rural character and natural beauty of the County will be preserved.
- Growth and development in the county will be well managed.
- There will be employment growth in tourism, service industries and through business and industrial park development.
- There will be growth in housing, cultural, and recreational opportunities that will meet the needs of families, youth and young professionals.
- Route 13 will be an attractive travel corridor that serves the needs of residents, businesses and tourists.
- The County will balance growing service needs with the revenue available to fund those needs.

Mr. Dukes said he would be getting a final document for consideration at a future to the County Administrator.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Mallette made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Mrs. Thornton seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Hart absent.

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Chair